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IN RE APPLICATION OF
GRIFFITHS ET AL.
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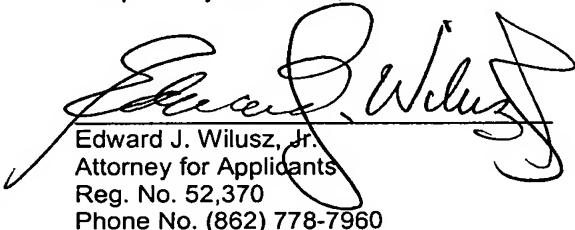
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of November 28, 2007 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on December 28, 2007. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1020 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,



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